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SUBJECT: ENGLULU VISITS

REF: STATE 41700 (NOTAL)

1. EMBOFF PASSED SUBSTANCE REF TEL TO MOFA WEST AFRICA DIVISION CHIEF HYUN FEBRUARY 23. HYUN SAID ENGLULU ARRIVED SEOUL FEBRUARY 22 AND MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER PAK TONG-CHIN MORNING FEBRUARY 23, FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON WITH FOREIGN MINISTER. AFTERNOON FEBRUARY 23 WILL BE SPENT AT KCIA GETTING BRIEFING ON NORTH-SOUTH KOREA SITUATION. MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER CHOE KYU-HA SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 24 AND MEETING WITH PRESIDENT PAK CHONG-HUI FEBRUARY 25, PRIOR TO ENGLULU'S DEPARTURE FOR CONSULTATIONS IN TOKYO.

2. ACCORDING TO HYUN, ENGLULU ASKED FOREIGN MINISTER FOR BOTH MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE REQUESTED WAS PRIMARILY IN THE MEDICAL AREA (ROK HAS TWO MEDICAL DOCTORS IN ZAIRE NOW, ACCORDING TO HYUN). ENGLULU WILL PROVIDE LIST OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE ZAIRE WANTS FROM ROK TO FOREIGN MINISTER AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 23 AND HYUN TOLD EMBOFF HE WOULD PROVIDE MORE DETAILS AFTER THAT.

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3. HYUN SAID FOREIGN MINISTER ASKED ENGLULU ABOUT THE CONTENT OF HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH PRC OFFICIALS BUT ENGLULU REPLIED ONLY THAT HE HAD MERELY DISCUSSED "BILATERAL MATTERS" WITH THE CHINESE. ACCORDING TO HYUN, FORZSGN MINISTER CONTINUES TO ATTACH IMPORTANCE TO KNOWING WHAT WAS DISCUSSED WITH THE CHINESE AND WITH WHAT RESULTS. HYUN ASKED EMBOFF TO ATTEMPT TO LEARN FROM USLO WHAT WAS COVERED IN PEKING SO THAT ROK WILL HAVE SOME IDEA OF CHINESE ATTITUDE BEFORE ENGLULU MEETS WITH PRESIDENT PAK. EMBOFF REPLIED IT WAS UNLIKELY USG WOULD HAVE THIS INFORMATION, BUT UNDERTOOK TO INQUIRE. WOULD APPRECIATE WHATEVER INFORMATION OR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT (WITH ASSISTANCE OF USLO) MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.
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